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| Filing Date | March 2, 2004 |
| First Named Inventor | NAKAGAWA. |
| Group Art Unit | 2818 |
| Examiner Name | L. Pham |
| Attorney Docket Number | 108075-00124 |

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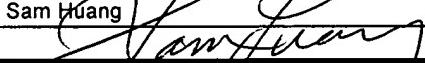
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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No.: 9846

NAKAGAWA

Art Unit: 2818

Serial No.: 10/790,222

Examiner: L. Pham

Filed: March 2, 2004

Docket No.: 108075-00124

For: SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE AND METHOD FOR SELECTING
MULTIPLE WORD LINES IN A SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY DEVICE

Submission Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

Introductory Comments

Director of the U.S. PTO
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March 16, 2005

Sir:

This submission is filed in response to the Advisory Action dated February 16, 2005 in the above-captioned patent application, and accompanies the attached Request for Continued Examination. In the prosecution of the above-captioned patent application, please consider the following: